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Notes from the President-Elect

Margaret McCarthy

The plenary component of the mid-year HPS symposium in San Antonio TX is scheduled for January 26-29. The topic is bioterrorism. The preceding Saturday and Sunday are the PEP talks. Our winter NECHPS dates skirt these times.

On February 6th at the Publick House in Sturbridge, MA there will be a joint meeting with the WMIHA and perhaps with another society (see announcement in this Newsletter). The topic relates to monitoring in closed conditions. The speaker will be Sal DiNardi, author of Calculation Methods for Industrial Hygiene and Editor of the American Industrial Hygiene Association's The Occupational Environment - Its Evaluation & Control. He is also co-author of A Glossary of Occupational Hygiene Terms, another publication of the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

Other forthcoming meetings will be announced when the details are firm. I am planning to have a March and an April meeting, with one in New Hampshire.

The NECHPS annual meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 4th at the Westford Regency (Westford, MA). The topic is "Beneficial Effects of Radiation." Two scheduled speakers on the docket will be our own national president-elect Ken Kase, and Edward Calabrese from UMass/Amherst, an expert on hormesis. The scope of the annual meeting will encompass the overall benefits of radiation, such as current oncological practices, research tracers, and radiation protection.

New Members

If you know anyone who wants to join NECHPS, tell him/her to visit the website (www.nechps.org) or contact John Sumares at 617-727-6214.

Membership Poll

Are you interested in receiving the Newsletter via e-mail?

Send me an e-mail with your thoughts on the matter (dlamay@mit.edu), or call me at (617) 253-4203.

Addresses Needed

Members are reminded to update their addresses at the NECHPS website (www.nechps.org).

Our address listings are outdated for the following people; if you know any of them, pass along the word that we need current information.

Ron Cardarelli
Lloyd Dolleman
Robert Gatta
Betsy Gilman
Joan Holt
Martin Horowitz
Craig Johnson
Thom Price
Al Sorensen
Ronald Stevens
Mark Walsh

Membership Dues

Members are reminded that they should pay their dues *as soon as possible* to ensure that membership status remains in good standing. You may check your dues status by looking at the mailing label attached to this newsletter - the label will have a statement in the upper right corner: "Paid thru July 2002", for example.

Remember that the current By-Laws state that dues are \$10.00 per year, however, a payment of \$40.00 will get a member 5 years of Chapter membership.

Please send your payment to:

Ron Thurlow, NECHPS Treasurer
21 Myrtle Ave
Newburyport, MA, 01950.

Dues are always accepted and payable at the Chapter's technical meetings.

February Meeting

Joint Technical Meeting with the Western Massachusetts Industrial Hygiene Association

Date: Thursday, February 6th, 2003 (the snow date is Fri., Feb. 7th, if necessary)

Location: Publick House, Sturbridge, MA

Time: 5:30-6:30 PM Registration/Cash Bar
6:30-7:30 PM Dinner Buffet
7:30-9:30 PM Guest Speaker

Speaker: Salvatore R. DiNardi, Ph.D., CIH

Topic: Monitoring and Exposure to Trace Air Contaminants in Closed Environments

Cost: \$35.00 Members, \$40.00 Guests, and \$20.00 Students (up to 1/31)
\$40.00 Members, \$45.00 Guests, and \$20.00 Students (after 1/31)

Menu: New England Clam Chowder and Seasonal Mixed Greens with House Dressing
Choice of: Yankee Pot Roast of Beef with Jardiniere Sauce OR
Orchard Chicken with Cider Cream Sauce, Apples and Grapes
Baked Stuffed Potato and Seasonal Vegetables
Warm Deep Dish Apple Pie with Vanilla Ice Cream

The registration deadline is January 31st, 2003.

Please note, you can make payment after 1/31, up to and including the night of the event (pay "at the door"); however, no matter when you make payment, you *must* register by January 31st.

If you register then decide to cancel, you must do so before January 31st, or you are responsible for payment.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

*(please leave a daytime phone number
number so Margaret can call you by 9 AM
in the event of a postponement/cancellation)*

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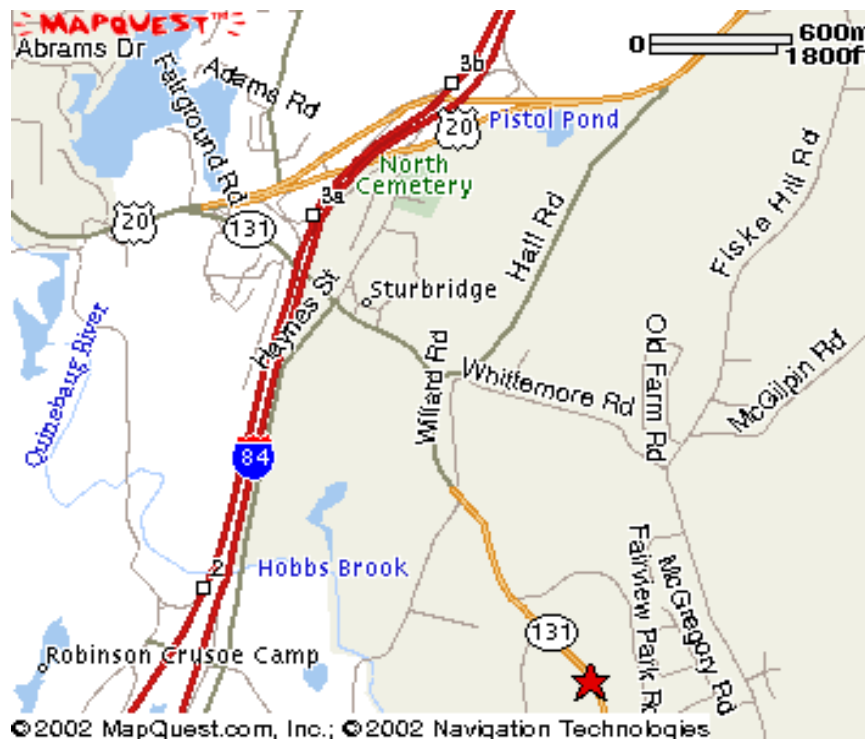
OR Register online at: **www.nechps.org**

OR Call (413) 268-7863

(please leave a daytime phone number so Margaret can call you by 9 AM in the event of a postponement/cancellation)

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On the Common, Route-131(295 Main Street)



Directions

From the Mass Pike take **exit 9 (I-84/US-20)** towards HARTFORD/NEW YORK CITY. Merge onto I-84 W. From I-84 W take **exit 3B (US-20 W)** towards BRIMFIELD. Merge onto US-20 W, then turn left onto Route-131 S/MAIN ST. The Public House is at 295 MAIN ST.

For additional information please call: (508) 347-3313 or go to

<http://www.publichouse.com>

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

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Environmental Health and Safety Office

Assistant Radiation Safety Officer, to serve in a leadership role and provide expert advice in support of Institute academic and business objectives with due consideration of occupational health laws, federal and state regulations, and good practices. Will function as an integral member of a multi-disciplinary office, serve in a leadership role to develop necessary expertise and good judgment in the Campus Radiation Protection Program, and participate or lead groups when Radiation Protection or other EHS expertise may be warranted. May be assigned to departments outside of EHS, and as skills develop, work in areas other than main discipline.

REQUIREMENTS: a bachelor's degree in science or engineering and a master's degree in health physics or environmental health; expertise in health physics; working knowledge of regulations specific to radiation protection and a minimum seven years of relevant experience in recognition, evaluation, and control of various radiation sources. Comprehensive certification in health physics by the American Board of Health Physics is desired. Must be able to manage people and projects and prioritize heavy workload and client needs. Must possess a service and team orientation. Tactical and strategic thinking and problem-solving ability important.

Please submit your resume and cover letter to: Mitchell Galanek, MIT Room N52-496, 77 Mass Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139. 617-258-9457